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A Salute To French Philately

Italy Recognizes Da Vinci Anniversary

Leonardo da Vinci's self portrait was used for the design of a commem in his honor marking the 500th anniversary of his birth. It was produced by Italy.



Vittorio Lo Bianco of New York City advises that there are to be two stamps in the da Vinci set. The current one is in orange and has a value of 25 Lire. The other will have a face of 60L in a yet unannounced design.

Both da Vinci stamps will be overprinted "AMG-FTT" for use in the Allied Zone of Trieste.

Italian Business Fair Rates Commem

Italy on April 12 memorialized the 30th International Business Fair at Milan with a 60 Lire blue commem on which was pictured



the Moto-Nautical Pavilion of the Milan Fair. Also issued was a commemorative postal card.

According to Vittorio Lo Bianco of New York City, the stamp was overprinted "AMG-FTT" for use in the Allied Occupied Zone of Trieste.

Greece Now Flies All Domestic Mail

Greece has recently inaugurated all-up service for its domestic mail it now being carried internally by the air lines at no extra fee.

There have been some postal rate increases, states P. J. Drosos, 1 St. Denys Pl., Athens, Greece, but at the same time the government has removed the necessity of using the postal tax stamps which were to supply funds for the Postal Clerks Health Fund. This became effective April 15. Domestic rates went up on that date, as did some of the foreign mail fees.

Aden, Confederate States In March PLR

The March 31, 1952 issue of the Philatelic Literature Review featured a Bibliography of books and articles on the Stamps of Aden and Hadhramaut States, compiled by Albert H. Higgins, and an addenda to the Bibliography of books and articles on Confederate states stamps and postal history, compiled by Van Dyk MacBrade.

In addition, the REVIEW presents a list of philatelic reference sources, reports on new literature, and a checklist of issues of Scott's Monthly Journal (1920-1951).

Copies of the REVIEW, official organ of the Philatelic Library Association, may be obtained at 25c from the editor, Daniel W. Vooy, P. O. Box 300, Canajoharie, N. Y.

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—Photo, Adrien Bouteille

Special Edition Sponsored By France, Colonies Group; Membership International

by Louise Clemenccon

Back in 1924 France issued a set of four stamps to mark the holding of the Eighth Olympic Games in Paris. Colorful, rather well designed, and in the large "commemorative" size, they were the first of what has since become a popular and desirable field of philately. It was a foregone conclusion that such pretty miniature pictures would attract a large family of devotees. And taking the matter one step farther, it could be expected that these collectors of the stamps of France and its Colonies would sooner or later band themselves into a society for the further enjoyment and study of such issues. This they did.

From a small group of collectors of French stamps who met September 26, 1941, among whom were Raoul Lesgor, Stephen G. Rich, A. J. C. Vaurie, Dr. Robert L. Wood, Adrien Bouteille, Edmond Queyroy, Brainerd Kremer, George Weiler and George Mary, the France and Colonies Group was organized. From this small beginning it has grown to be an international society of more than 300 members with a chapter in Philadelphia Pa. and one in Malden, Mass.

Our first meetings were held at Gaston a la Bonne Soupe, a French restaurant presided over by our temporary chairman Dr. Vaurie who has been followed by presidents Stephen G. Rich, Brainerd Kremer, Raoul Lesgor, George Weiler and Alan R. Fernand.

The purpose of our Group is the study of the stamps of France and her Colonies and to disseminate this knowledge. This knowledge has been invaluable to members who have developed collections of specialized studies.

The France and Colonies Philatelist is published bi-monthly and contains articles pertinent to French stamps and information about our Group. The Philatelist is sent without charge to all members.

Definite stands have been taken by our Group on certain stamps considered speculative and not legitimate.

October 23, 1948 a pre-centenary celebration commemorating the 100th anniversary of the first postage stamp of France was held at the Hotel Lafayette. The Forum was a memorial to Gerard Gilbert, a Frenchman who had a long and distinguished career as an expert of French stamps. Dr. Carroll Chase was our guest of

honor at both the forum and dinner.

Annually we present the Gerard Gilbert Memorial Award to the author of the best article in English on stamps of France or Colonies published during the year. Our first award was given to Raoul Lesgor and Meade Minnigerode for their book "The Cancellations on French Stamps of the Classic Issues 1849-1876."

Members have published many articles in the name of our Group.

France and Colonies was the first specialized group to exhibit at the National Philatelic Museum, Philadelphia. It was in January 1949 in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the first stamp of France. Members also exhibited at Cipex, the Collectors Club and with other specialized groups.

The Lesgor Contest, originated by Raoul Lesgor, and held annually is for the furtherance of the study of stamps of France and colonies. All members are eligible to enter the contest.

Our library is a valuable source of information.

Membership is resident and non-resident dues are nominal. Our meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month (excluding July and August) at the Collectors Club, 22 East 35 Street, New York. Visitors are welcome.

Outstanding collections have been shown at our meetings besides which some of our members have shown their collections at various times illustrating the progress made due to the unselfish giving of great knowledge by all the members.

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French, French Colonial Issues Provide Action In Many Fields Of Philately

by Stephen G. Rich

(Illustrations, Adrian Bouteille, New York City)

No matter what your likings are in the stamp field, the French and French Colonial stamps can supply you with just that particular kind of collecting. Such a statement is a big boast—but one on which France has made good.

Are you a devotee of subject-matter or "topical" collecting? Then, no matter what your particular subject or subjects, somewhere in the range of French issues, you will find it. The commemoratives of France will give you many an item for Cathedrals on Stamps, many for Bridges, numerous ones for Scientists, and so on. If you collect Animals on Stamps, a large part of the showing of the Camelidae will be by French Colonial stamps, such as those of Senegal. Middle Congo shows the leopard... and so on through the many interesting ones of French

Do you like engraving varieties? France's line-engraved stamps such as the Pont du Gard 20f of 1929-33, has them, far beyond the few major ones that Scott's catalog lists. The 10f La Rochelle of 1929, and the 3f Mont Saint-Michel of that period, also offer the plate-variety man much of interest. Or you can find minor plate varieties by the hundred, on the inexpensive "Type Sage" stamps, used in France from 1876 to 1900.

the discounts are immense. Our other nearby colonies, Martinique and Guadeloupe, have fewer expensive items. French Guiana is in their class.



Do War Covers attract your attention as against anything else? Well, the French countries have had unhappy times that have produced many such covers. Censored covers of World War I are well charted, mostly to be had easily, and extremely varied, from metropolitan France itself.

The last war produced a great variety of war covers of France, of Algeria, of Tunis, of the colonies as far afield as Wallis & Futuna Islands.

Then there are the famous "Ballon Monte" covers of the German war in 1870-71, when the besieged French in Paris flew mail out by balloons with an aeronaut on each guarding the mail. In fact, the variety of French war covers staggers the imagination.

Otherwise, are you one of those persons who studies the printing processes used on stamps? Well, French countries are again a luscious oyster for you to devour. Metropolitan France alone is the most varied imaginable. It is the classic land of stamps made by ordinary printing like this paper—what they call "typographed" in stamp circles.

In 1870, the emergency issue from Bordeaux was lithographed. From 1928 on, many French stamps were made by line-engraving, like our American ones. More recently, and specially among the colonies, rotogravure appears. Photo-offset, a modern form of lithography, was also used, as for the 1944 issue of metropolitan France.

But, instead of this, are you a lover of the surcharged stamp, the overprinted one? France itself, the metropolitan country, hasn't had many. But the colonies are rich in them. Done locally in many cases, they team with variations.

(Continued on page 15)



Would you rather collect Air Mail stamps off cover? Then France and the Colonies give you a wide range of beautiful pieces. Rarities exist, too, to make you hunt for the last few to complete your showing. Many of the rarities are not too high in price—they are just very difficult to find.

Or would you like a few countries on which to work towards completeness, perhaps adding interesting covers? Then you can be served well by many a French colony. St. Pierre-Miquelon, the nearest French colony to the United States, is one of these. It has a very few high-priced items—from the catalog prices of which

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cerned only with the rates of France and Algeria. Let us consider the rates of the French Colonies and the Foreign ones. For the 8 centimes, rate for the French Colonies and the Levant, pairs of the four centime stamps were used. Two issues are known in pairs, the Laurel Wreath Empire and the Ceres issue thus cancelled.

Logically strips of three of the 4 centimes, covering the 12 centime rate to the Levant could exist. However, we find them cancelled with the newspaper date killer, in red, and not typographically cancelled. Whether some will eventually be found is not known, none have been found to date.

Just as mysterious is the fact that no Sage stamps of the 4 centime denomination, either in pairs or strips covering the 8 and 12 centime rates, as per the U.P.U., have ever been found thus cancelled. Could it be that the typographical cancellation, common in France and Algeria at the time was not to be used abroad, and that all newspapers were to be cancelled with the date killer? Or perhaps, the newspaper wrappers were more appropriate because of their available space where one could write the address of the subscribers.

The 1 centime Sage black, thus typographically cancelled is common after 1878, yet, prior to that date, it is a gem. Strips of three of the 1 centime or combinations of the 1 or 2 centimes are rare after June 1878, the 3 centime Sage bistro, being issued that month. The 3 centimes Sage grey, is not too common either; it is not used very often after 1895 as the weight was changed from 25 grams to 50 grams. When they are found after that date, on complete journals, they are prized copies.

Finally, let's not forget the little ones of the 20th century, the type Blanc stamps of 1900. The 1 centime black or grey black is little known today thus cancelled, as a single or in pairs, rarer in pairs. The 2 centimes are found, yet, the 3 centimes can be catalogued as very rare. Only two off paper are known.

As for the 4 and 5 centimes type Blanc, we have encountered them. However it is very doubtful if they ever served on newspapers. Probably, they were freaks on printed matter so made by a private printer.

Higher denominations than the 5 centimes are sometimes found thus cancelled. These stamps were used on public posters, the rate was not controlled by weight but by the dimension of the poster. A large poster placard on the side of a building required a high tax rate. These stamps, like the others were affixed to the blank sheet of paper before printing. They are not to be classified as newspaper stamps.

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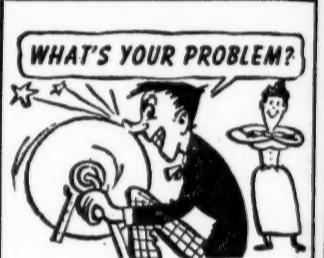
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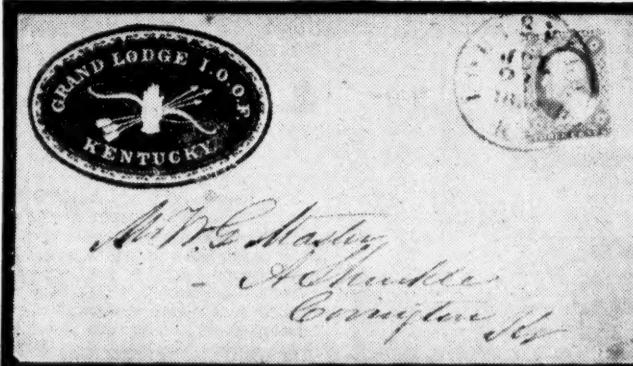
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painted by a young artist, Veslemoy Ibsen, and is printed in blue and red on white paper.

ICELAND—1951

The 1951 Iceland Christmas seal is illustrated herewith. Issued in



small sheets of twelve, the colors are brick red, or terra cotta, and yellow with the word "ISLAND" in black.

No information as to designer or quantity issued is available but it is expected that the seals of Iceland will be dealt with in a future article.

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND—1951
Pictured herewith is the 1951 seal of Geneva, Switzerland. Is-



sued in booklets containing ten seals, the colors are red green and brown.

CHINA—1951

Illustrated is the 1951 anti-tuberculosis seal of China (Communist). Although bearing the



date "1951" these seals were in reality issued for the New Year about one year ago. Due to difficulties in correspondence with this country at the present time the seals were a little late in arriving.

These were issued in sheets of 25 with a central seal bearing the likeness of Dr. W. W. Yen who was considered a great statesman and patriot who died last year. Colors of the seals were red, blue,

**Another Granville
"Investment" Guide**

EVERYBODY'S GUIDE TO STAMP INVESTMENT, by Joseph E. Granville; Hermitage House, Inc., New York City. 240 pages cloth bound. \$2.95.

One of the most controversial figures in the field of stamp economics, Joseph E. Granville, has just completed another book on the subject of stamp investment. How you will take this effort depends on your views and experiences with treating stamps as you would stocks and bonds.

There seems to be no middle ground since divisions of opinion pro or con are held rabidly. Those "a-gin" will find much to attack in discrediting the book, while those "for" will find some suggestions to keep their heads above financial waters and perhaps even reach the golden shore on occasion.

The author claims that "Everybody's Guide to Stamp Investment" is usable by people who know stamps, and those who are actually unacquainted with them. This in the opinion of the reviewer is about as utterly false a statement as it would be possible to make.

This opinion is based on the fact that in any endeavor there is no substitute for experience, for even the highly experienced are "taken" often enough. It isn't possible to become even a successful newspaper carrier just by reading a book.

—Carl P. Rueth

Like France, Tunisia too has an Arch of Triumph. It is located at Sbeitla.

**TMPS At Waterloo
In Early October**

Collectors who look forward to attending the annual exhibitions and conventions of the Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Society can now definitely make their plans for the time and place have been set.

The Cedar Valley Stamp Club of Waterloo, Iowa, Chapter 20 of TMPS, will be hosts to the group this fall from October 10 to 12 in their home town. Headquarters of the convention will be the Hotel President, the exhibition will be set up in the Masonic Temple.

Exhibitors are not confined to those holding TMPS memberships. All collectors are eligible. The prospectus can be obtained from John L. Cooper, exhibition chairman, 255 Hammond Ave., Waterloo, Iowa.

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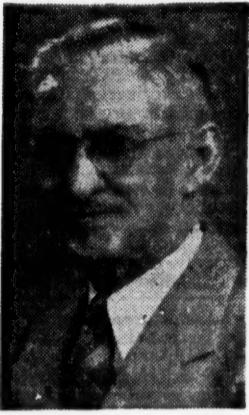
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An Answer To Amy L. Swift

Few of you who read this will know Amy L. Swift. But we older collectors will remember her. Anyhow I have a letter from Amy with a question which I want to answer first, then I will tell you about Amy.



GEORGE W. LINN

of your fine mint copies. You will find few of them but what have a mass of crackly gum on them. These gum cracks were not there when the stamps were issued. They are getting worse year after year and it is only a question of time until they will eventually disintegrate the paper under them. Many old foreign, especially the heavily gummed early Austria also show this situation much plainer than do our Columbians.

The older and earlier stamps in many instances look better preserved than do many of our later issues. In the early days they made paper from rags. Today, but little of the paper most of us use has any rag content. It is chiefly sulphite and wood pulp. It will rot to dust in a period of time. It will rot much quicker with the gum on it than without the gum. I have seen stamps of the past 50 years that if taken between two fingers and bent a bit would crumble away. This is because of the cheap paper used in them. Your 5c and 10c 1847 will not do this because they are on fine quality rag paper and of course not one in a thousand has any gum, so you are without the danger there. This is also true of most of the old U. S. before 1870 during which period soft cheaper paper came into general use. We, who collect British Colonials, can be thankful that the British are still using a pretty fine quality of paper to print their stamps on and thus they will endure.

If you will take a block of the current Commemoratives of our country and bend the tail which has the plate number on it, just as much as about 30 to 45 degrees you will note that you break the gum surface. This gum is heavy and is almost like a thin piece of glass. Once you break this gum surface you have also broken the fibre in the paper. If you will now bend the tail over the other way to the same angle you can almost shake the tail loose from the stamp because you have broken the gum that breaks the fibre of the paper and the plate block is lost.

If you will take a similar block and wash the gum from it you can fold the tail clear back and then straighten it out again and soak and press it and your block will still hold together and it will stay that way.

Just try this experiment for yourself. Too many people are careless in handling their blocks and the least bend in the glassy surface of the gum is the beginning of the end of your blocks. If the gum is washed off this danger is eliminated almost wholly and blocks will be preserved.

Now for Amy. Only you who were active in stamps at the early part of this century will recognize the name of Amy L. Swift, but to we oldsters who were collecting stamps at that time, the name of Amy L. Swift is well known. She was a regular advertiser in the leading stamp papers of those days. Yes, a female stamp dealer away back in those days when it was a rare thing to even find a woman who collected stamps let alone dealt in them.

It would be interesting to have a bit of copy with reminiscences of those early days by a lady who was a part of that period when we were all general collectors and had a chance to fill our International albums.

There has been a big change since the days when Amy L. Swift was an active stamp dealer. Today the number of women interested in stamps and stamp collecting runs into the thousands and not a small number of them are successful dealers in stamps, often under a name that does not expose their sex. Stamp dealing is a splendid field for them and it is a hobby which should attract them as no other hobby can. More power to the Amy L. Swifts of today.

Plate Number Singles

The collecting of Plate Number Singles is becoming more popular every day. The latest help in this direction is a catalogue of these stamps in used condition just issued by Antonio Hebert, Box 441, Gardena, Calif. Mr. Hebert started gathering plate number singles in used condition from controlled mail many years ago. Today he has perhaps the largest stock in the United States and he has just issued a catalogue starting with the Bi-centennials and running right up to date. Mr. Hebert should have some idea of the value and scarcity of these singles and he has priced them. This, therefore, makes the list a fair guide for sale and trade between collectors. But we feel that he has priced many of the later ones too high. They could not be sold at such prices and are thus out of line with older issues. Unused singles are plentiful at much less than his used prices and anyone with an unused single can get it used for nothing, thus prices are too high for recent material.

We recently referred to dealers who were using color prints of U. S. stamps in their advertising. We note Mr. Hebert has pictured the 5c United Nations in natural color on the front of his catalogue. This is against postal laws and should not be done, but the illustration gives a lovely example of what a set of four single plate numbers look like and the ease of mounting and housing makes singles a popular field. It takes from one third to one sixth as many albums to house a collection and they give you the same record of plates used as you get from the blocks, so why not try singles and see how much more satisfactory the job of collecting and caring for them will be.

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Elections Spur Free Frank Use

According to the United Press and the New York Times, House of Representative investigators revealed recently that representatives, spurred by election year pressures, were flooding the country with the greatest barrage of "propaganda" in history at the taxpayers expense.

The House Folding Room, which puts Congressional mail into envelopes, is three weeks behind in its job and is sending out mail at the rate of 170,000 pieces a day.

The backlog is so large that some law-makers are bickering openly over who gets served first and are accusing each other of "monopolizing" the free service.

It is costing the taxpayers \$20,000 a month just for folding such mail and putting it into envelopes. Almost all of it is sent out under the Congressional "franking" privilege—postage free.

A special House Administration subcommittee reported that the folding room, with 103 employees is swamped because of the "election-year" rush.

SPECIAL EDITIONS

Various dealers will want to time some of their advertising to appear in conjunction with the special editions of Linn's Weekly Stamp News sponsored by different specialist groups. These editions are always the last one of each month and contain a splendid amount of information about the particular country or specialty.

The next four editions of a special nature are as follows:

May 26—Universal Ship Cancelling Society.

June 30—Maritime Postmark Society.

July 26—British North America Philatelic Society.

August 25—Airport Dedication Society.

Further inquiries can be directed to this paper by interested dealers.

Clubs or societies agreeable to sponsoring a special edition can get the details on request.

It said that last year, when things were not so hectic, the folders handled 16,392,000 pieces of mail. About 145 House members did not use the service at all, and 119 members furnished fewer than 25,000 pieces each.

But 128 members sent through 25,000 to 100,000 each, forty sent 100,000 to 500,000 pieces and three furnished 500,000 or more pieces each.

Representatives Ralph W. Gwinn, Republican of New York; George Bender, Republican of New York, and John T. Wood, Republican of Idaho, are among the biggest users of the service.

And the investigators made it clear that they were peeved at the big users. "They're taking a little more than the lion's share," commented Representative Ken Regan, Democrat of Texas, and subcommittee chairman. He said that because it is a "Presidential year, there's more propaganda than ever."

Representative James W. Trimble, Democrat of Arkansas, a subcommittee member, said use by some members was "excessive" and "all out of proportion to their responsibility. They are sending stuff all over the United States."

Mr. Regan said many members were using the Folding Room for sending out "weekly news letters" to constituents. "That's imposing too much," he said. "They should use their own secretarial help." (Congressmen are allowed secretarial help up to about \$23,000 a year at government expense.)

Representative Fred E. Busby,

Republican of Illinois, asserted that some of his colleagues were "monopolizing" the service. He recently complained to Speaker Sam Rayburn that the Folding Room would take five or six weeks before it could get around to folding "my small amount of 10,000 pieces."

Mr. Regan said he checked the Post Office Department about alleged abuses by Congressmen of their free postal privileges. He said the post office was not concerned because Congressional mail is less than 2 per cent of the postage-free matter sent out from Washington. The rest, Mr. Regan said, comes from Federal agencies.

A House lobby investigating subcommittee previously took some House members to task for using their free folding service and free postage privileges to send out materials for lobby groups.

Representative Karl M. LeCompte, Republican, said the mail barrage this year "is the worst" ever.

Messrs. LeCompte, Trimble and the others agreed the House must put on some kind of a "lid." They all recommended that machines be installed to speed up the work and break the backlog.

Representative Thomas B. Stanley, Democrat of Virginia, and chairman of the full Administration Committee, said he favored machines, too. But in response to questions by a reporter he said he was not sure exactly what would be done with the workers who would be replaced by machines.

He said that about thirty of the workers in the folding room held "patronage" jobs.

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By CARL P. RUETH

On reliable information I understand that the first day of issue of the forthcoming "Bible" stamp is to be September 30. Apparently the date was chosen with more premeditation than coincidence for it is also the feast day of St. Jerome, Doctor of Sacred Scripture.

Nearly every denomination of Christians is planning some kind of special observance for Bible Week, September 29 to October 4, most of these being highlighted with attempts to make the public more fully acquainted with the bible's contents.

Also sharing major honors with the release of the commem is the German, Johann Gutenberg. Gutenberg is credited with being the inventor of movable type—with which invention he printed the bible as his first effort.

Exact date of this printing is not known but it is generally conceded to have been in 1452. The bible he published was the Catholic Latin version, the Vulgate. It was published in folio, with two columns and 42 lines per folio.

Johann Gutenberg was born in Mainz, Germany, the third child of a well-to-do family. Early in life he became apprenticed to the profession of his family for generations, goldsmithing and metal working. In time he became a highly skilled artisan.

While there existed some general knowledge of printing and engraving for centuries it was by all standards a time-consuming and tedious piece of work. It amounted to carving or shaping of individual letters, words or pages from wood or metal with a subsequent discarding after one use.

Gutenberg manufactured metal types of the same size which could be cast and used time after time. His invention was the forerunner of all hand-set type, the basis of modern printing.

Today very little type is set by hand. High quality printing which emphasizes precision and balance depends to some extent on hand set type, but production items, such as newspapers, pamphlets, books etc. make use of the machines which cast lines of type at the will of the operator.

1. It hasn't been more than fifteen years ago when the bible appeared in a commemorative stamp design. Know which one?

2. Since 1920 there has been issued a commem which pictures a man holding a book. The book is a very old one, its title (readable) and date, "Soul Liberty—1634" appearing on the front cover. Can you name the stamp?

Frequently I get letters asking me how soon we can expect another National Parks or Wild Life series, a new regular postage series, and a new lot of Famous Americans. Those are things I can't answer, on top of which I doubt whether the Post Office Department could answer them definitely.

I understand all three are under consideration. There are a number of factors which might delay all or any such as a war, depression or general cussedness.

It's been a long time, excepting the Flags, when we have had a sizeable set to play around with. I wish we would have more of them.

As singles, our commems do not lend themselves well to making an attractive page—it is all too easy to get hodge-podge.

Would that many of you have the same practical approach to stamp collecting possessed by Clayton W. Grafton of Akron, Ohio. I believe you would have lots more fun, and perhaps even learn a little something about

you party little stickers".

In a recent letter, Mr. Grafton has the following to say:

"...I thought you might be interested in reading the results of my summary of my twelve years of stamp collecting. From grade school days I have always been philatelically minded but kicking around the country and living out of a trunk or a couple of suitcases is not the best inspiration for forming a stamp collection; marriage and the subsequent raising of a family of six also put a damper on it so it was not until 1939 that I could see my way to indulge a little."

"I started very ambitiously, a world collection my goal. Soon common sense and a perusal of Scott's told me such a procedure was like walking on a treadmill, ... so the world was dropped and I confined by efforts to United States, Great Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Ireland.

"In twelve years I estimate that I have spent \$1275.00 on the hobby; this is for everything pertaining to it, including a compact cabinet that I built last year to house everything I have as we are now living in a small apartment—this I value at \$50.00. My albums are Elba 1½" binders with LINN'S specialized pages for all the U. S. and Unit B hand-ruled pages for the rest and all are interleaved with .003 plastic at .04 per sheet. I have eight of them and figure their value at \$10 each. So I have at this writing:—

"Cabinet—\$50

"Albums—\$80

"Mounted stamps, value figured at replacement cost from the average dealer and not Scott—\$570

"U. S. and other duplicates on hand (dealer value)—\$150.

"Stamps sold at a small profit to a dealer and my world collection at a loss—\$125.

"Total—\$975.00.

"Twelve years of stamp collecting have cost me \$25.00 per year. I could have spent four or five times as much on fishing and perhaps caught nothing more than virus pneumonia, six times as much on golf and got sore dogs and have nothing but a bucket of scuffed-up balls to show my friends.

"It has been said there are thousands of collections that are each a duplicate of the other which is rather a handicap to the disposal of them at a profit or at an even break, but if I sold everything I have tomorrow at a loss I would still feel that I had profited in the pleasure I had in assembling them and the overall modest cost.

"Stamp collecting is no different than any other hobby. It can become a fetish if one chooses to make it so, but then it ceases to be a hobby. If the rich man can afford to buy a set of the Columbians in mint sheets that's all to the good. I never expect to own used ones up to 50c but I get just as much kick out of it and I have the consolation that I do not have to stand guard over my holdings with a shotgun or keep them in a safety deposit box."

You folks will note that this edition of Linn's is devoted to the philately of France and its Colonies. It might be appropriate to point out that some of our

NEW U. S. FIRST DAYS

May 15—Grand Coulee Dam 3c, Grand Coulee, Wash. (50 per pane, 110 million). Send Covers for first day service to Postmaster, Spokane, Wash.

June 13—Lafayette 3c, Georgetown, S. C. (50 per pane, 110 million).

????—Newsboys

????—Red Cross

????—Mt. Rushmore

????—Civil Engineers

????—Bible

ISSUED TO DATE

1004—Betsy Ross 3c, Philadelphia, January 2.

1005—4-H 3c, Springfield, Ohio January 15.

1006—B&O RR 3c, Baltimore, Md., February 28.

1007—AAA Safety 3c, Chicago, Ill., March 4.

1008—80c Airmail, Honolulu, Hawaii March 26.

1009—NATO 3c, Washington, D. C., April 4.

To obtain First Day Covers collectors can send not more than ten envelopes, each with a name and address, to the postmaster of the designated first day city with a request for first day service. Payment must accompany to cover the face value of the stamps to be affixed to the covers.

stamps have a tie-in with that nation principally because of French citizens on U. S. stamps. There are others born there who came to America and "made good" ending up, in time, on the picture side of a postage stamp.

As for instance Father Marquette on the 1c Trans-Mississippi Flag on the Victory issue of 1943-44; Statue of Liberty, gift of France, executed by the French artist Bartholdi; Rochambeau and Degrasse on the Yorktown; Father Nicolet's Landing at Green Bay on the first Wisconsin commem; and don't forget the Lafayette stamp June 13.

You could go further with this and include men like Ben Franklin who served as ambassador to France, and stamps of the Revolution and the two World Wars in which we fought side by side with our French Ally.

Use your history book and your imagination, and you will do all right!

1. The Washington Inaugural commem of 1939 which shows him taking the oath of office of president with his hand resting on a bible.

2. Rhode Island Tercentenary issue of 1936 picturing the statue of Roger Williams.

First Exhibition At Richmond, Ind.

First exhibition of the Rose City Stamp Club is scheduled for May 17 and 18 at the Richmond-Leland Hotel, Richmond, Ind. Displays will be limited to those of club members but participation and attendance is open to all interested persons.

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violet Z in a circle. (Fig. 3).

Booklets of 5 centimes green and 10 centimes red of the Sower design without "publicity", were demonetized by the same process, with the handstamp "ANNULE" in violet. A typographed overprint in black served to annul booklets of the 10 centimes green and 25 centimes blue of the sower design. Finally, booklets of the 10 centimes Pasteur and 30 centimes blue Sower design were overprinted in black with a typographed Z in a circle. Needless to say all these annulated booklets are of extreme

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FIGURE 4

The "ANNULE" overprint is in block letters of uniform 3 millimeters height. (Fig. 1) It was applied on most of the values current at the time of its issue, solely on flat press issues of 1911—both postage and postage dues—and on flat and rotary printings of 1923, including precancelled stamps.

Distinguishing between the first and second "ANNULE" issues for values valid in both 1911 and 1923 is difficult, since the only visible difference in surcharges is that the 1923 overprint is struck slightly higher on the stamp than that of 1911. In addition to this small difference, if one is fortunate enough to have the millesimes for the two issues, differences in color may be classified to distinguish the stamps.

All the Annules and Specimens can be found cancelled in singles or in blocks, some even on covers (not having done postal duties) struck with the dated killer of the professional schools. The words "COURS PRATIQUE" (practical instruction) identify these cancellations.

The entire practice of demonetizing stamps for use in postal schools was discontinued after 1925.

Since then, the stamps have been replaced by labels especially printed for the purpose, bearing the words sans valeur and the denomination in a rectangle the size of a stamp.



FIGURE 1

For stamps of the Merson design, (Scott's type A18, Fig. 2) there are no difficulties in distinguishing the two printings. In 1911, the overprint was applied only once; in 1923 it was overprinted twice.

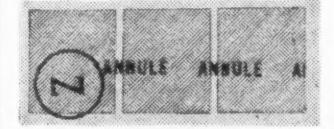


FIGURE 2

The overprint is sometimes found displaced sideways the displacement sometimes being so great that entire vertical rows lack the surcharge entirely. In these rare cases, the delinquent stamps were handstamped in violet with the word "ANNULE" resembling the normal overprint, or with a large

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French North Africa Issues Provide Fine Study Material

by Charles Neidorf

One of the major objectives of the France & Colonies Group is to encourage as much as possible the collection and study of twentieth century material in its field of interest. This is so not because of any prejudice against the older stamps, obviously, but simply because such an approach offers the best means of spreading the gospel, so to speak. The magnificent collections of the rare classic stamps which are on display from time to time at various exhibitions undoubtedly arouse the admiration and envy of the neophyte but at the same time are very likely also to arouse a feeling of hopelessness on his part and to make him shy away from attempting to build similar collections, when he considers the expense that would be involved.

Show him a well prepared exhibit of modestly-priced more recent stamps, however, something that he can feel he can "go and do likewise", as one member of the Group put it recently, and he is very likely to get started on the road to becoming a confirmed collector of France & Colonies material.

In line with this idea, two elementary avenues of approach to a semi-specialized collection of the stamps of French North Africa (French Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia) which the beginner can readily undertake are pointed out here. This is done not with the idea of boosting the stamps of these French possessions over those of the other colonies—every single one of them has something rewarding to offer to the collector—but simply because the writer happens to know more about the former, having started to collect these stamps seriously as the result of having participated in the North African campaign and having visited places like Casablanca, Oran, Algiers, Constantine, Tunis, Carthage and Bizerte.

Perhaps other veterans of World War II who were there might also want to consider the merits of the idea of concentrating their collecting efforts on stamps of some or all of the countries they visited.

One opportunity for study which is almost universally overlooked concerns the small-sized typographed regular postage stamps of Algeria and Tunisia issued since 1924. The fact that they come in either flat plate or rotary press printings or, what is of particular interest, in some instances in both forms, is something that most collectors don't realize. You won't find such information in Scott's, of course, or even in any of the more familiar French catalogs. Only a couple of the most highly specialized catalogs (e.g., Yvert's Specialized—long out of print and very scarce) give some of the necessary information but even these are not complete; hence some of the data included here is based on personal observations.

Distinguishing between flat plate and rotary press printings should offer little difficulty to collectors who have come up against the same problem in dealing with many U.S. stamps: the rotaries are slightly taller than the flat plate stamps. Owing to the fact that the size differences are sometimes rather slight, however, it is suggested that instead of attempting to measure them with a ruler or even by superimposing one stamp on another it is preferable to select a cheap stamp of the design in question, cut it in half vertically and use this as a standard. In this way it is possible to match upper and lower frame lines on superimposed stamps with great accuracy.

With single stamps one has no choice but to use this method. With multiples, however, one may be fortunate enough to come across examples showing millésime numbers or other sheet markings definitely indicating flat plate printings or else showing sheet numbers (on the margins of lower right-hand corner blocks) or dates (on the margins of lower left-hand corner blocks) or other sheet markings definitely indicating rotary press printings.

Still another means of differentiation is the gum. The later rotary press stamps have a very characteristic gum which is quite different in appearance from that used for the early flat plate stamps (white and minutely striated horizontally instead of yellowish and smoothly featureless). This distinction does not apply to the very early rotaries, however, specifically those in the first issue of Algeria, which have gum almost indistinguishable from that used for the flat plate stamps of the same period.

One final point must be mentioned: regular printings on rotary presses of all typographed stamps of Algeria and Tunisia started in 1931 (except for a very

can be found in both versions.

In Tunisia a similar situation prevails with regard to stamps of types A10, A11 and A12, issued at the same time as the second issue of Algeria. Scott's Nos. 81-83, 87, 92 and 94, come only in flat plate versions. Nos. 74-80, 84, 85, 93, 95 and 97 (12 values) come in both flat plate and rotary press versions. And all of the other values, being later additions, exist only as rotary press varieties.

The second line of approach to a semi-specialized collection, mentioned above, has reference to the location and study of collateral material (photographs, articles and books) pertaining to the subject matter portrayed on the stamps of French North Africa. Such material is of interest not only to those collectors whose approach is primarily topical but to all who wish to learn as much as possible about every aspect of the stamps they collect seriously. In this connection the pages of the National Geographic magazine are a gold mine of information about all three countries and include many wonderful photographs which can do much to dress up any specialized collection.

In the first issue of Algeria Scott's Nos. 1-5, 9, 14, 15, 17, 19, 22 and 25 exist only as flat plate varieties. Nos. 6-8, 10-12, 16, 21, 23, 24, 26-29 exist only as rotary press varieties. And No. 13 (25c, blue, Sower type) comes in both versions.

In the second issue of Algeria the following stamps exist, so far as can be determined, only as flat plate varieties: Scott's Nos. 39, 40, 41, 44, 48, 49, 56 and 59. Nos. 39a, 43 and 53, being later additions, exist only as rotary press varieties. And all the other stamps belonging to types A1, A2 and A3, namely Nos. 33-38, 42, 45, 47, 50-52, 54, 55, 57 and 60 (16 values)

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Those who may be inclined to investigate these articles should be warned that they run the risk of becoming so interested in this sort of material as to forget its primary purpose, from the stamp collector's point of view, so that hunting for more material of this nature, including second-hand books, tends to assume the proportions of a separate hobby.

Thus, one is likely to wind up with a lot of information about out-of-the-way corners of the world. But is that bad?

Cancellation Club To Sponsor Exhibitions

The U.S. Cancellation Club under its Exhibition Committee headed by H. Parker Johnson of Grand Junction, Colo., will sponsor several state exhibitions this year as well as national or regional shows. The first one will be the annual show of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp clubs at Sheboygan May 17 and 18. A special award will be given as well as a Certificate of Merit to those exhibits which the judges decide are worthy.

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Collectors and dealers are watching with amazement as to what is happening to the first and other obsolete Israel sets. There's that coin set, Scott's #1 to #9. One week it's selling at \$6.00 to \$8.00 and shortly afterwards it's close to the 50.00 mark and this soon after the Israel government reduces the value of it's money to one third it's former value! You would think the stamps would fall to one third the value. Not if they are obsolete.

It all points out the simple fact that there is always very much more paper money of every variety in this world than there are good stamps and plenty of times this money just can't buy what one wishes at what a person fondly believes to be a fair market price. Want more proof? Several months ago I spent \$400.00 advertising to buy Canada #4, the stamp which the catalog says is worth \$12.00, well I offered \$15 figuring there would be quite a deluge of "beavers".

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2 Ⓛ #C3 OG thin, OC T, Fr. copy	157 Ⓛ #52(10) rev. cans. 1 lot	7.00	326 Ⓛ PERAK #5-8, #5,8★ VF	3.70
3 Ⓛ #C5 perfectly centered VF	158 Ⓛ #52(8) cleaned F	5.00	327 Ⓛ #14,19,20,29,31,32,35 4 OG #20,21,22,23 F-VF	6.50
4 Ⓛ #C5 OG thin, superb app.	159 Ⓛ #52-56,52a rev. cans. F	7.00	328 Ⓛ #14,15-27,28,29,30,31,32 OG 4	3.35
5 Ⓛ #C7-12,16,17,19,22-24,30,31, 35,37,CE1-2 VF lot	160 Ⓛ #52-54,52a,75-78,80-82 rev. cancs. F-VF	5.10	329 Ⓛ #14,15,27,28,29,30,31,32 OG 4	3.35
6 Ⓛ #C19 25 copies F-VF	162 Ⓛ #52,54,74,75,80-82 34 high vals. 7 vars. rev. cans. F	3.72	330 Ⓛ SELANGOR #7,9,11,12,24 F F-VF	6.80
7 Ⓛ #C10 50 copies F-VF	163 Ⓛ #53,54 rev. cans. F	5.00	331 Ⓛ #30,31,34,35 OG #31 used F-VF	7.20
8 Ⓛ #C10-14,16,17,19,23,24,CE1-2 OG F-VF	164 Ⓛ #53-68,64,91 3 OG fine	10.00	332 Ⓛ #42,44 OG very fine	3.00
9 Ⓛ SP. DELIVERY #E1 OG fine	165 Ⓛ #53-68,64,91 3 OG fine	10.00	333 Ⓛ SUNGEI UJONG #19,20,26A, 26B #26A used F-VF	5.75
10 Ⓛ #E1-18,B1 F-VF	166 Ⓛ #53-78 minor faults OC T V.G. 12.00	4.17	334 Ⓛ #20,21,22,23 OG 3	3.00
11 Ⓛ #E1-3,5-18,F1, #E7 SE F-VF	167 Ⓛ 15 vars. fine lot	13.69	335 Ⓛ SUDAN #1-5,7 OG fine set	2.70
12 Ⓛ #E1-3,5,6,8-10,13-18, 1st SE F-VF	168 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	12.15	336 Ⓛ #7,8 6 thin F-VF app.	8.50
13 Ⓛ #E2 minor faults, OG VF app.	169 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	8.59	337 Ⓛ #4,9,22,24,26,21,33 perfed SG very fine lot	3.35
14 Ⓛ #E3, 5 SE 2nd OG VG	170 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	3.40	338 Ⓛ #9-14 OG very fine set	3.80
15 Ⓛ #E4, 5 OG thin, superb app.	171 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.50	339 Ⓛ #C1-3 OG very fine	2.75
16 Ⓛ #E5,11,12a OG F-VF	172 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.55	340 Ⓛ #J1-4 OG very fine	2.85
17 Ⓛ #E6,11,12 OG fine	173 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	3.75	341 Ⓛ #J1-3,11 5★ OG F-VF	3.63
18 Ⓛ #E7 light fine	174 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.25	342 Ⓛ 36 vars. very fine	10.50
19 Ⓛ P. DUES #J1-6 F-VF	175 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.43	343 Ⓛ SWAZILAND #3-6 OG 1st used VF	5.13
20 Ⓛ #J21 OG F-VF	176 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	9.00	344 Ⓛ #6 OG very fine	9.60
21 Ⓛ #J38 R arrow bk/4 OG Fine VG-F	177 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.00	345 Ⓛ #11,12,15,16,20-26,J1, 2 OG 1st used VF	7.00
22 Ⓛ #J48 2mm reinforced OG VG-F	178 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.00	346 Ⓛ TASMANIA #2 repaired, superb app.	2.00
23 Ⓛ #J60 3mm slight creases otherwise F cat.	179 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	13.60	347 Ⓛ #5,13 very good copies	8.00
24 Ⓛ #J66 2mm bk/4 centered B Fine	180 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	5.00	348 Ⓛ #11-14 OG very fine	14.00
25 Ⓛ 52 vars. fine lot	181 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	13.46	349 Ⓛ #14 very fine	3.00
26 Ⓛ CHINA #K1,4,5,9, 1st used last 2 OG SE VF	182 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.76	350 Ⓛ #31,32,33,34,35 OG fine	10.00
27 Ⓛ OFFICIALS—Agriculture #O2,3, 2nd OG both fine	183 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	5.50	351 Ⓛ #32,33,34,35 OG fine	7.50
28 Ⓛ #O4 well centered, fine	184 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	3.00	352 Ⓛ #32,33,34,35 OG fine	5.00
29 Ⓛ #O5 smudge canc. VG	185 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	8.50	353 Ⓛ #32,33,34,35 OG fine	5.00
30 Ⓛ INTERIOR #O15-24 F-VF	186 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	10.85	354 Ⓛ #32,33,34,35 OG fine	5.00
31 Ⓛ #O15,17-24,2 OG F-VF	187 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	10.65	355 Ⓛ #TOKO #68,70,77,80,81 OG OG 3 used VF	8.50
32 Ⓛ #O16-19,22-24 30c pen canc. VG	188 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	15.00	356 Ⓛ TONGA #1-5 #4 OG fine	3.95
33 Ⓛ #O2 OG Fine	189 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	6.50	357 Ⓛ #3-5,9, #4,9 OG F	4.85
34 Ⓛ JUSTICE #O2 OG well centered OG F-VF	190 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	7.50	358 Ⓛ #15,19,27,70-72 OG 1st used VF	6.60
35 Ⓛ #O27,27a 28 OG F-VF	191 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	12.10	359 Ⓛ #19,21,26,30,31,37c last 5 OG fine	11.75
36 Ⓛ #O27,30 2nd F-VF	192 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	9.15	360 Ⓛ #30,41,56,70-72,O1 OG #56 used F-VF	4.70
37 Ⓛ NAVY #O35-38 VG-F	193 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.50	361 Ⓛ #41-43,47,49 OG #41,43 OG 3 used VF	3.30
38 Ⓛ #O36-38,41,44 VG-F	194 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	8.15	362 Ⓛ #O4 OG centered TL F	15.00
39 Ⓛ #O40,41 VF	195 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.25	363 Ⓛ TRANSJORDAN #2,32,134, 150-51,208,B4,5,19-24,35 OG 3 used F-VF	3.20
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44 Ⓛ #O48-51,52-56 Fine	200 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	10.00	368 Ⓛ #22,23,24,25 OG 2nd used, both thin F-VF app.	8.50
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48 Ⓛ #O72,79-84 OG F-VF	204 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.00	372 Ⓛ #26 OG 2nd used, both thin F-VF app.	8.50
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56 Ⓛ #O121-23 Fine set	212 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	3.75	380 Ⓛ #34 OG 2nd used, both thin F-VF app.	8.50
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58 Ⓛ #O125 OG Fine	214 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	2.50	382 Ⓛ #36 OG 2nd used, both thin F-VF app.	8.50
59 Ⓛ 42 vars. F-VF	215 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	3.75	383 Ⓛ #37 OG 2nd used, both thin F-VF app.	8.50
60 Ⓛ SPECIMENS #O1SD,10,25,47,48, 72 F-VF	216 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	3.75	384 Ⓛ #38 OG very fine	2.25
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64 Ⓛ PARCEL POST #Q1-12 F-VF	220 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	3.00	388 Ⓛ #3,4,5 OG very fine	25.00
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67 Ⓛ #P.DUES #JQ1-5 OG #3.5 used F-VF	223 Ⓛ #59-62,64-68,71 5 OG VF	4.12	391 Ⓛ #6 OG very fine	25.00
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C36	.18	C57	.12	E5	.10	O12*	.09
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PORTUGAL MEMORALIZES THE N.A.T.O. On April 4, Portugal released two stamps to publicize its participation in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization as a member nation. That nation was the scene of an important NATO meeting but a few months ago when the representatives of NATO nations met for discussions. The Portuguese initials for the organization are "OTAN" and appear in that way on the stamps. They stand for, "Organizao do Tratado do Atlntico Norte". The 1 Escudo is in green and dark green, and the 3.50 E. in gray and dark blue. The cover was received from D. J. Duarte, Lisbon, Portugal.



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AFGHANISTAN — The U. N. stamps, noted last week, consist of the 35 puls red-violet; 35p. dull brown; 125p. blue and 125p. blue-green.

BOLIVIA — Six postage and six airmail stamps have been released honoring Eduardo Abaroa.

BRITISH GUIANA — George VI Coronation stamps will be invalidated as of August 31, and may be exchanged by the Postmaster General, Georgetown, British Guiana, before December 1.

Fiji — A competition has been organized for the designing of the forthcoming 2d. plus ½d. and 2½d. plus 1d. Health Stamps.

FRANCE — A rather full schedule is apparently on order, according to Whitfield King & Company. In May or June celebrities of the 19th Century are to be postally honored, including Gustav Flaubert (novelist), Manet (painter), Jules Poincaré (mathematician), Baron Georges Eugene Haussmann (builder of modern Paris), Camille Saint-Saëns (composer) and Louis Adolphe Thiers (statesman).

Two child welfare stamps are due in December and others, on various unstated dates, are to include Marshal de Tassigny, Rene Laennec, Leonardo da Vinci, 14th centenary of the founding of the Abbey of Saint Croix at Poitiers, The Garabit viaduct, the 10th anniversary of the battle of Bir-Hakim, The 12th anniversary of the battle of Narvik, the Poste de France at Vaucouleurs and the meeting of the Council of Europe at Strasbourg.

The United Press informed of two stamps to be issued in honor of the 1952 Olympic games, on "Stamp Day of 1952". One is a 20-franc stamp drawn by Franz Tschersovsky at Sarrebourg, showing a man carrying the Olympic Flame, against a dark green background.

The second stamp is a 25 franc drawn by H. Blum at Sarrebourg, showing a hand carrying laurel leaves, in front of the globe, with a dark blue background.

ITALY — The 25 lire International Sport Stamp show commemorative features ancient and modern male figures, with printing in color (brown and black).

ITALY-TRIESTE — The Sport Show adhesive was overprinted "AMG - FTT". According to P. Ostrow, six sports stamps have been released for the B-Zone.

ISRAEL — On or about April 29 three stamps will mark the 4th anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel. Values will be 30 pruta (thistle and Yan Mordechai), 60p. (cornflower and Degania), and 110p. (anemone and Safed).

LIBERIA — The Ashmun issue, announced for "on or about April 1," appeared April 10.

LIBYA — The new definitive appeared April 15 (12 postage and 4 postage dues) according to the Crown Agents.

LIECHTENSTEIN — The arrival of a set of three "Masterpieces" stamps, of the 20, 30, and 40rp. denominations are noted.

NORTH BORNEO — The 50c. blue, with the revised spelling of Jesselton, is to appear May 1.

NORTHERN RHODESIA — A set of five stamps is expected for the centenaries of the births of Cecil Rhodes, Dr. Leander Starr Jameson and Alfred Beit, to be observed April 15 to August 15, 1953. Artists have been invited to submit designs for these stamps.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA — Five stamps are also expected in this instance for the triple birth centennial, according to Whitfield King & Company. Values here will be ½d., 1d., 2d., 4½d., and 1sh.



Auction
Dates

April 26—Hobbs Stamp Co., 38 Park Row, New York 38, N. Y. United States mint and used, General Foreign.

April 26—Stamp & Album Co. of America, 5 Union Sq. West, New York 3, U. S., Brit. Emp., General, Collections.

April 28—Billig & Rich, Inc., 55 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. U. S. and Poss., Brit. Emp., and General.

April 28-May 1—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32 E. 57th St., New York 22, U. S. and General "Ristedt" Airmail Collection.

April 30—Sylvester Colby, 506 Fifth Ave., New York 17, U. S. Spec. Cut Squares, Entire, Cane, Airmails.

April 30—Walter Gisinger Co., 116 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. United States mint and used, General Foreign.

May 2, 3—Cross Stamp Co., 55 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. U. S. 19th & 20th Century including sheets and wholesales.

May 5-7—Stamp Auction Service, 127 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 2, Ill. U. S. incl. sheets, General, Wholesale.

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May 6-9—Mercury Stamp Co., 522 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y. Airmails of the World, Europe, and Colonies.

May 9—Michael M. Karen, 1225 Norris Ave., New York 56, N. Y. United States mint and used, Philatelic Literature.

May 9, 10—Penny Black Stamp Co., 116 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y. Covers inc. FDC's, U.P.U.'s, Rooseveltiana, etc.

May 12, 13—Max Bloch, 505 Fifth Ave., New York 17. Airmails, mint and covers, General, Lots, Collections.

May 17—Samuel Boyaner, 35-27 92nd St., Jackson Heights 72, N. Y. U. S., British Colonies and General.

May 24—Earl P. L. Apfelbaum, 1418 S. Penn Sq., Philadelphia 2, Pa. U. S. Airs, Mexico and General.

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(Editors Note: Mr. Friedman is still unable to submit material for the weekly "Chatter" because of illness. Until such time as he can, a geographical and political look at the various British Colonies of the West Indies will be made here).

BARBADOS

This most easterly of all the West Indies lies in latitude 13 degrees 4' N. and longitude 59 degrees 37' W. It is a British Crown Colony which first had an issue of stamps in 1852 they being imperf and picturing a seated Britannia.

In size it is but 166 square miles having a length of 21 miles and a width of 14. The population is approximately 203,000.

Capital of Barbados is Bridgetown, the only other community of size being Speightstown.

The greatest part of the island is of coral formation but overlaid on the coral is a type earth which seems to be especially adapted to the growing of sugar cane. Hence sugar, molasses and rum are the chief products and chief exports.

While not mountainous, the island is hilly ranging from flat areas along the coast to elevations of various heights in the interior, Mt. Hillaby being the highest at 1100 feet.

Approximately five-sixths of the island's entire surface is under cultivation, the farming in the hilly interior regions being supported with the extensive use of terraces along the hill sides.

Even though located in the tropics the island is saved from oppressive heat by continuously blowing easterly trade winds which are present from December to June. The average temperature is 80 degrees F.

Exact date of discovery of Barbados is not known. Some time in

the late 1500's or early 1600's a party of Portuguese are said to have visited there finding it uninhabited. It was from them that the place received its name Barbados, it being derived from the Portuguese Los Barbados, meaning "bearded ones". The bearded ones here referred to were the bearded fig trees which existed in large numbers at that time.

In 1625 a party of Englishmen founded a settlement at Holetown and in 1628 another party landed to the south of this, threw a bridge across the river, and began to build Bridgetown the present capital.

These two parties struggled for possession of the island but in 1652 it was transferred to the Crown. For a number of years, Barbados was grouped with the

Windward Islands. It was declared a separate colony in 1885.

The present constitution (January 1952) provides for a governor, an executive council, an executive committee, a legislative council and a house of assembly. To be able to vote, electors must be over the age of 21 and must fulfill certain small property requirements.

Barbados is another of the British West Indies which buys more from the United States than the United States buys from it. In the present instance, the island spends fifteen times more for imports from the U. S. consisting of foodstuffs, lumber, piece goods, and machinery, than the U. S. buys of the island's exports of sugar, molasses and rum.

Unlike the Bahamas which make most of the unfavorable export-import balance back from American tourists, Barbados has very little in the way of tourist attractions.

Exhibition Dates

April 25-27—Pottstown Stamp Club, Odd Fellows Temple, Pottstown, Pa.

April 26, 27—Convention-Exhibition Tri-State Area Decatur Club Bldg., Decatur Ill.

April 26—Women's International Stamp Club, Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York City.

April 26, 27—Stamp & Coin Club of Roanoke, Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, Va.

April 26, 27—Peninsular State Philatelic Society, Bancroft Hotel, Saginaw, Mich.

Saginaw Valley Stamp Society hosts

May 3—Girl Scout Stamp Club, Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York City.

May 3 to 31—Norfolk Philatelic Society, Norfolk Museum of Arts and Science, Norfolk.

May 10—Women's Philatelic Society of New York, Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York City.

May 10, 11—Butler County Philatelic Society, Standard Motor Co., Display rooms, Butler, Pa.

May 16-18—Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, Sheboygan, Wis. Sheboygan Stamp Club hosts.

May 17-18—Rose City Stamp Club, Richmond-Leland Hotel, Richmond, Ind.

May 18—Meriden Stamp Club, Craig Loch Manor, Meriden, Conn.

May 24, 25—Joplin Stamp Club, YMCA, Joplin, Mo.

May 30-June 1—Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition, New Washington Hotel, Seattle, Washington.

June 7, 8—Universal Ship Cancellation Society, Hotel Douglas, Newark, N. J.

June 7-8—National Convention Universal Ship Cancellation Society, Hotel Dauglas, Newark, N. J.

June 20-22—TOPEX, International Topical Stamp Exhibition, Fort Stanwix Hotel, Johnstown, Pa.

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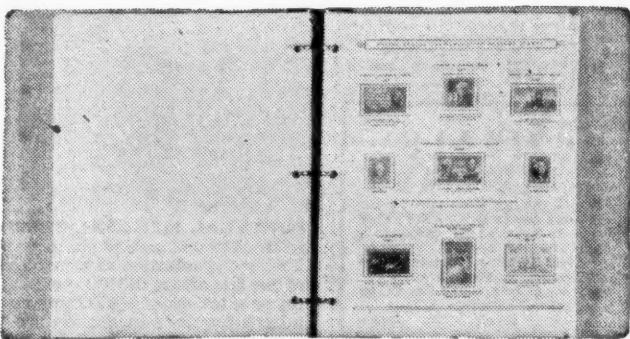
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**French Stamp
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by John Weare

and realistically toward you but there is rain falling on one shoulder and sun shining brightly on the other. There were vehement protests at the time yet this remains one of the best designed of the "Stamp Day" stamps.

A striking example of this symbolic treatment are the two recent stamps to commemorate the sessions of the U.N. in Paris. They show the well known symbol of Paris, the Eiffel Tower, firmly planted between the wings of the less well known Palais de Chaillot in whose halls the U. N. held its meetings.

The fact is the Eiffel Tower is behind you and some 300 odd feet lower than the terrace of the Palais de Chaillot. There appears to have been no complaints about this lack of realism.

Let us now look at a recent U.S. commem., the B & O RR stamp. Three modes of transportation were to be shown,—and realistically. However the horse is in an impossible gait. Reminds one of an early Currier & Ives print where galloping horses have all four feet spread in the air. It took the French artist, Degas, to bring them down to earth and their proper gaits.

Of course France has a great many well known historic sites and monuments to serve as motives for stamp designs. Artists very skillfully simplify these views. Of the large number of recent French issues which may be grouped as landscapes let's cite one little known to tourists, the "Arbois" stamp of 1951. It is an excellent example of an artistic simplification to produce a very pleasing yet realistic design—a real pictorial yet not photographic.

The physically impossible clear view up the Champs Elysees to an enlarged Arc de Triomphe was tucked up in the right corner. There is no doubt, of course, but that this perspective of Paris is a well-known characteristic of the city. Most people feel that this is a very well designed stamp.

The same artist has designed several of the previous air mails. Take the view of Lille for instance (Scott C-23.) The heavily built up section surrounding the many historic buildings has been cleared away in the design so as to emphasize them.

The artist became well known for his design for the "Stamp Day" issue of 1950, (Scott B-248). Here the mail carrier walks vigorously

(Scott C-28) is a fine example of the same thing of a subject well known to tourists the Alexander III bridge and the famous exposition buildings in the background.

So we conclude that in France there are two divergent trends in design,—the symbolic and the pictorial. It seems that in our own country stamp design is restricted to the staff artists of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing. When there is not too much pressure and too short a dead line, they do produce some very well designed stamps.

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eties most of which are perfectly easy to pick up.

Not even Eire with its Thom and Dordoll and Composite surcharges in the early 1920's, nor Orange Free State with its recurrent emergency halfpenny and 2½d stamps, surpass the colonies like New Caledonia for interesting surcharges.

Or, again, do you like to limit yourself to 20th Century material exclusively? Or to the last periods, say 1925 onwards? Well, here again is your tempting meal laid out for you. There usually is a good reason for every stamp appearing. The stamps are plentiful—not only are there many of them: they can be obtained readily.

Are you one of those who likes to make a showing of the effects of inflation, of decreasing value of money, on stamps? Then either metropolitan France or almost any colony, or a group of colonies will show you what can be done. As the franc went down in value, the green stamp for the international printed matter rate, the red stamp for the international postal card-rate, and the blue stamp for the international letter rate, went up in value.

So we get the same design used for twelve or fifteen years as in Dahomey, with blue stamps going up from 25¢ to 1.75¢, and special values added every year or two in the process—not to mention changes of the older values to other colors every time the money changes.

In contrary vein, are you one who enjoys essays and proofs? France and the Colonies alike furnish these. Many of them are not too costly. Most of them are beautiful: indeed, far handsomer than a large portion of the issued stamps.

At the opposite end of the story, and way back in time, are you fond of numeral cancellations? France used two sets: one in the late 1850's and early '60's; then a different one for another ten years. These are listed in several books, including a recent one published in our language in this country, by Kremer. They can be had easily—they are usually legible.

Still further back into history, do you like stampless covers? French ones are not too hard to get, and usually the town and date marking are both clear and interesting. Those which did international travel, into or out of France, are sometimes most intriguing.

Would you get most joy out of collecting "Offices Abroad"? Then again France is your field. First there were the covers and postmarks when the French offices all around the Mediterranean used

regular French stamps. After that comes the special issues for these offices and for those still further afield as in Zanzibar—all of them "deuced hard" to find as used copies on nice covers.

Later on come those in the Far East—including those of Indo-China in southern China. It's perfectly true that the British had more "Offices Abroad", especially in early days—but these British offices have become such a specialists' paradise that you can hardly find the items any longer. Many a French "Used Abroad" still rests unnoticed in collections and in some dealers' stocks.

Or do you like Ship Covers? Well, the French ship lines had their postmarks from even before the days of stamps—and there were dockside post offices for ship mail at many a port in the Caribbean as well as in the Mediterranean.

The covers are most interesting too—often with stamps of the country of origin to take the letter to the port and French stamps to carry it to Europe. All these markings are listed in a well known book by Bourselet, Gilbert and co-workers.

So you don't care for any of these, but prefer to collect precancels? France, Algeria and Tunis are your countries, then. France started precancelling in 1869. The old Newspaper Stamps of that year are known only unused and precancelled. The same precancelling occurs on the regular stamps then current and those current up to around 1880. Then precancelling lapsed for a while, to find 1920 saw precancelling resumed with "Dateds" and 1923 starts the uniform printed half-circle precancelling that has lasted to this day. This same half-circle, set askew on French stamps appears on Tunisian and on Algerian stamps . . . the same precancelling.

But you would rather collect Slogan Postmarks? Ah, "mon ami" as a French collector might say, again you need only taste the lovely French slogan postmarks. They are not usually pictorial, but they are varied and interesting. They appear in the 1920's and keep going right up to now.

Alternatively, you are one of the small and sincere band that prefers Metered Mail to everything else. It's true that you haven't the great variety that U. S. metered mail offers: there are only five

types of indicia. But they will keep you really enjoying their immense variety of use.

In fact, France and the other French countries, from New Caledonia to Mauritania, from St. Pierre-Miquelon to Reunion, will give you almost anything philatelic that you can ask for. Even miscalled "secret marks", the delight of the collectors of United States.</p

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